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The Department of Water Resources is announcing the time and location for the next Cultural Resources Work Group meeting associated with relicensing the Oroville Facilities (Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Project No. 2100). A proposed agenda for the meeting is enclosed. The meeting is scheduled for:

**December 7, 2004
6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
Mooretown Rancheria – Administrative Offices
1 Alverda Drive
Oroville, California**

An update of activities conducted during October 2004 is also enclosed in lieu of the November CRWG meeting.

We are posting this information on our Oroville Facilities Relicensing web site, <http://orovillereLICensing.water.ca.gov>. Please visit our web site for additional information on the Oroville Facilities Relicensing Program and related meetings.

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**Department of Water Resources
Oroville Facilities Relicensing Program
Cultural Resources Work Group
Proposed Agenda**

**December 7, 2004
6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
(Note Later Start Time)**

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Oroville, California

Desired Outcomes

- *Update on Studies in Progress*
- *Discussion of Historic Properties Management Plan*
- *Next Steps for Cultural Resources Work Group*

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| I. | Welcome and Introductions | (6:00 – 6:10) |
| II. | Review of July 20, 2004 Work Group Meeting Action Item Updates distributed | (6:10 – 6:15) |
| III. | Update on Studies <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Historic-Era Archaeological Evaluations• Prehistoric Archaeological Evaluations | (6:15 – 8:00) |
| BREAK | | (8:00 – 8:15) |
| IV. | Historic Properties Management Plan Development | (8:15 – 9:15) |
| V. | Next Steps for Cultural Resources Work Group | (9:15 – 9:30) |

Action Item

The following action item identified by the CRWG includes a description of the action, the participant responsible for the action, and item due date.

Action Item #C71: Distribute September 2004 Update.

Responsible: DWR

Due Date: October 15, 2004

**Oroville Facilities Relicensing Program
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Project No. 2100
Cultural Resources Work Group
November 2004 Update**

This update of activities conducted during October is provided in lieu of the November 2004 Cultural Resources Work Group meeting.

Study Plan C-1 Update

The final confidential Archaeological Inventory Report is receiving final edits. Once this document is finalized, work on Study Plan C-1 will be complete.

Study Plan C-2 Update

The October historic-era site evaluation program focused on numerous smaller sites, including linear resources (a railroad and three roads), a large stone dam, a placer mine and a possible miner's shack. Several other sites planned for evaluation were not accessible due to higher than expected water levels. Work also began at McCabe Creek where the crew will focus much of its time during November and December 2004.

Maidu Advisory Council Update

The Maidu Advisory Council met October 13, 2004. Discussions focused on updates of ongoing field work (see above) and the proposal for limited evaluation efforts at prehistoric archaeological sites within the fluctuation zone at McCabe Creek.

Settlement Negotiations Update

The Settlement Negotiation Team met to review the tentative agreement for cultural resources on October 21, 2004. The team reviewed the minor language changes made to the curation facility PM&E during the last meeting. Juanita Anglin then requested that additional language be added to the "land for repatriation" PM&E which would ensure that repatriated remains of non-federally recognized Maidu and other tribes associated with the Maidu would be included. Such language was drafted and given tentative agreement.

Next Meeting

The next CRWG meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 7, 2004. During November, participants will be provided a copy of the draft Historic Properties Management Plan to review in preparation for discussions at the December meeting.